

# Senate Study Bill 1180

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to registration fees for certain motor trucks and  
2 providing effective and applicability dates.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 1 Section 1. Section 321.109, subsection 1, Code 2005, is  
1 2 amended to read as follows:  
1 3 1. a. The annual fee for all motor vehicles including  
1 4 vehicles designated by manufacturers as station wagons, ~~and~~  
1 5 1993 and subsequent model years for multipurpose vehicles, ~~and~~  
1 6 ~~2007 and subsequent model year motor trucks with an unladen~~  
1 7 ~~weight of seven thousand five hundred pounds or less, except~~  
1 8 ~~motor trucks registered under section 321.122, special trucks,~~  
1 9 motor homes, ambulances, hearses, motorcycles, motor bicycles,  
1 10 and 1992 and older model years for multipurpose vehicles,  
1 11 shall be equal to one percent of the value as fixed by the  
1 12 department plus forty cents for each one hundred pounds or  
1 13 fraction thereof of weight of vehicle, as fixed by the  
1 14 department. The weight of a motor vehicle, fixed by the  
1 15 department for registration purposes, shall include the weight  
1 16 of a battery, heater, bumpers, spare tire, and wheel.  
1 17 Provided, however, that for any new vehicle purchased in this  
1 18 state by a nonresident for removal to the nonresident's state  
1 19 of residence the purchaser may make application to the county  
1 20 treasurer in the county of purchase for a transit plate for  
1 21 which a fee of ten dollars shall be paid. And provided,  
1 22 however, that for any used vehicle held by a registered dealer  
1 23 and not currently registered in this state, or for any vehicle  
1 24 held by an individual and currently registered in this state,  
1 25 when purchased in this state by a nonresident for removal to  
1 26 the nonresident's state of residence, the purchaser may make  
1 27 application to the county treasurer in the county of purchase  
1 28 for a transit plate for which a fee of three dollars shall be  
1 29 paid. The county treasurer shall issue a nontransferable  
1 30 certificate of registration for which no refund shall be  
1 31 allowed; and the transit plates shall be void thirty days  
1 32 after issuance. Such purchaser may apply for a certificate of  
1 33 title by surrendering the manufacturer's or importer's  
1 34 certificate or certificate of title, duly assigned as provided  
1 35 in this chapter. In this event, the treasurer in the county  
2 1 of purchase shall, when satisfied with the genuineness and  
2 2 regularity of the application, and upon payment of a fee of  
2 3 ten dollars, issue a certificate of title in the name and  
2 4 address of the nonresident purchaser delivering the same to  
2 5 the person entitled to the title as provided in this chapter.  
2 6 The application requirements of section 321.20 apply to a  
2 7 title issued as provided in this subsection, except that a  
2 8 natural person who applies for a certificate of title shall  
2 9 provide either the person's social security number, passport  
2 10 number, or driver's license number, whether the license was  
2 11 issued by this state, another state, or another country. The  
2 12 provisions of this subsection relating to multipurpose  
2 13 vehicles are effective January 1, 1993, for all 1993 and  
2 14 subsequent model years. The annual registration fee for  
2 15 multipurpose vehicles that are 1992 model years and older  
2 16 shall be in accordance with section 321.124.

2 17     b. The annual registration fee for a multipurpose vehicle  
2 18 with permanently installed equipment manufactured for and  
2 19 necessary to assist a person with a disability who is either  
2 20 the owner or a member of the owner's household in entry and  
2 21 exit of the vehicle or for a multipurpose vehicle if the  
2 22 vehicle's owner or a member of the vehicle owner's household  
2 23 uses a wheelchair as the only means of mobility shall be sixty  
2 24 dollars. For purposes of this ~~unnumbered~~ paragraph, "uses a  
2 25 wheelchair" does not include use of a wheelchair due to a  
2 26 temporary injury or medical condition.

2 27     Sec. 2. Section 321.122, subsection 1, unnumbered  
2 28 paragraph 1, Code 2005, is amended to read as follows:

2 29     The annual registration fee for truck tractors, road  
2 30 tractors, and motor trucks, except 2007 and subsequent model

2 31 year motor trucks with an unladen weight of seven thousand

2 32 five hundred pounds or less and motor trucks registered as

2 33 special trucks, shall be based on the combined gross weight of

2 34 the vehicle or combination of vehicles. All such trucks,

2 35 truck tractors, or road tractors registered under this section

3 1 shall be registered for a gross weight equal to or in excess

3 2 of the unladen weight of the vehicle or combination of

3 3 vehicles. The annual registration ~~fee fees~~ for such vehicles

3 4 or combination of vehicles, except special trucks, ~~shall be~~

3 5 are as follows:

3 6     Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE AND APPLICABILITY DATES. This Act takes

3 7 effect January 1, 2007, and applies to new and renewal

3 8 registrations of 2007 and subsequent model year motor trucks

3 9 with an unladen weight of seven thousand five hundred pounds

3 10 or less for registration years beginning on or after January

3 11 1, 2007.

3 12                     EXPLANATION

3 13     This bill revises the method for calculating annual

3 14 registration fees for motor trucks with an unladen weight of

3 15 7,500 pounds or less. Currently, most such trucks are

3 16 registered based on combined gross weight for an annual fee of

3 17 \$65, which is reduced to \$55 when the vehicle is more than 10

3 18 model years old, \$45 when the vehicle is more than 13 model

3 19 years old, and \$35 when the vehicle is more than 15 model

3 20 years old.

3 21     The bill requires that 2007 and subsequent model year motor

3 22 trucks with an unladen weight of 7,500 pounds or less be

3 23 registered under the weight and value system that applies to

3 24 most other motor vehicles. Currently under that system,

3 25 registration fees are equal to 1 percent of the value of the

3 26 vehicle plus 40 cents for each 100 pounds of weight of the

3 27 vehicle. Registration fees based on weight and value are

3 28 automatically reduced according to the age of the vehicle

3 29 beginning when the vehicle is more than five model years old.

3 30     The bill takes effect January 1, 2007, and applies to new

3 31 and renewal registrations of 2007 and subsequent model year

3 32 motor trucks. The bill does not alter the current flat fee

3 33 schedule, which continues to apply to trucks registered under

3 34 that system prior to January 1, 2007.

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